MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 2(A)

TO:

Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

October 16, 2003

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution relating to the

Golden Passport Program

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Sen. Javier D. Souto.

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Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.

DATE:

October 7, 2003

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

| Please note any items checked. | | |
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| | "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised | |
| - | 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing | |
| | 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing | |
| | Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget | |
| | Budget required | |
| | Statement of fiscal impact required | |
| | Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation | |
| | Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing | |
| | Housekeeping item (no policy decision required) | |
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No committee review

| Approved | Mayor | Agenda Item No. |
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| Veto | | 10-7-03 |
| Override | | |
| R | ESOLUTION NO. | |

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO THAT ALL CURRENT AND HONORABLY ENSURE DISCHARGED MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, MARINES, AND COAST GUARD BE **ELIGIBLE** FOR FARE-FREE **PUBLIC** SHALL TRANSPORTATION **SERVICES** THROUGH THE EXPANSION OF THE GOLDEN PASSPORT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, members of the armed forces have continuously served this nation and the cause of freedom with distinction; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to express its appreciation to those men and women who have risked their lives defending this nation and its interests; and

WHEREAS, many current and retired veterans live at or near the poverty line; and

WHEREAS, the Golden Passport Program was created to provide fare-free public transportation services to those residence of Miami-Dade County age 65 and older; and

WHEREAS, expanding the Golden Passport Program to include all active duty and honorably discharged veterans will increase ridership and reduce congestion on the roads of Miami-Dade County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the County Manager is hereby directed to ensure that all currently and honorably discharged members of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard shall be eligible for fare-free public transportation through the expansion of the Golden Passport Program.

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The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Senator Javier D. Souto and offered by

Commissioner

, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by

Commissioner

and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler, Chairperson Katy Sorenson, Vice-Chairperson

Bruno A. Barreiro Betty T. Ferguson Joe A. Martinez Dennis C. Moss Natacha Seijas Sen. Javier D. Souto Jose "Pepe" Diaz Sally A. Heyman Jimmy L. Morales Dorrin D. Rolle Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10th day of October, 2003. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

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| Deputy Clerk | _ |

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.



Bruce Libhaber

